

ACCUSE NOTRE DAME STARS

HUNDREDS TRAPPED IN COLLAPSE OF THEATER; SCORES BELIEVED DEAD

Snow Laden Roof of
Washington Playhouse
Crashes on Audi-
ence.

POLICE, FIREMEN AND
MARINES TO RESCUE

Resort to Gas Torches
to Cut Through
Wreckage to
Victims.

BULLETIN
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The bodies of 12 dead from the Knickerbocker theater collapse had been gathered late tonight in the First Church of Christ Scientist, near the theater. These 12, added to police reports of others, brought the death toll to 17, but many—whether dead or alive no one knew—were still held beneath the fallen roof.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—A score of persons at least are believed to have been killed and scores injured tonight in the collapse under the weight of two feet of snow on the roof of the Knickerbocker theater, a motion picture house, located in the heart of Washington's fashionable northwest section.

All was confusion for hours after the crash while police, firemen, marines and soldiers strove to burrow beneath the mass of debris and bring forth those buried thereunder.

Scores had been removed from the edges of the debris and hurried to hospitals, but police engaged for 24 hours in battling the worst snowstorm to visit Washington in a decade, were unable to check up on the number of those taken to the hospitals or on whether any or how many had died after reaching the hospitals.

Every fire station in the city was called upon to send its crew to the scene and the concentration of fire fighting apparatus only added to the confusion. With the arrival of the marines, however, order began to be restored. Emergency hospitals were set in the neighborhood, some in the homes of high officials of the government.

Finding the tons of concrete and steel of the roof was almost impossible and unpenetrable, the street railway companies of the city and the Washington navy yard were called upon to supply acetylene torches. With these more rapid progress was made and it was hoped that within a few hours it might be possible to reach those buried beneath the debris.

Among the injured was Nobile Tommaso Assereto, third secretary of the Italian embassy.

Ten Dead Recovered.
The names of the dead had been ascertained by the police only in a few instances and these follow:

Mrs. R. L. Covel; Miss Costley; William Tracey, a member of the orchestra; and P. H. Barnett. Two dead were unidentified, one carrying an envelope with a Warman park hotel return address directed to W. P. Straw, of Manchester, New Hampshire.

Other dead included Douglas Hilber, Mrs. Marie Russell, W. S. Seaford of Danville, Va., and G. S. Freeman, musician.

Some of the injured, according to reports to the police and hospitals were:

Mrs. R. J. Brown, Walter Urdas; (Continued on page two.)

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THE NEWS-TIMES

EAST BURIED UNDER THREE FEET OF SNOW

Most Severe Blizzard Since
1899 Brings Complete Halt
to Activities.

WASHINGTON IS CENTER

Storm Area Moves Northward
to New York and New Eng-
land Territory.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—More than twenty-four hours of continuous snow had tonight covered the middle Atlantic section, with Washington as a center, to a depth of a foot to nearly 36 inches; caused the suspension of practically all business and social activities; disrupted transportation and shut most of the population in their homes.

The storm, which weather bureau officials said, was one of the most severe in history and exceeded in the depth of snowfall only by the long remembered blizzard of February, 1899, was moving slowly tonight up the coast from its position during the day of January.

Reports to the weather bureau showed that the Carolinas, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia were bearing the brunt of the storm. Virginia cities, accustomed to only an inch or so of snow and then of rare occurrence, were buried in many cases to the depth of a foot while northern portions of the Carolinas still were blanketed with a fall that began Thursday.

In Washington the weather bureau measurements taken late in the day showed the depth to be closely approaching two and a half feet and the record fall of three feet established in 1899. All records for 24 hours fall had been broken at six o'clock, the hour at which the storm struck Washington yesterday.

The national capital was virtually paralyzed as to activities of all (Continued on page two.)

CARDINALS READY FOR CONCLAVE TO CHOOSE NEW POPE

Indications Are That Only
52 Members of College
Will Participate.

ROME, Jan. 28.—Only certain religious rites prescribed by canonical law, in which the Cardinals will be participants, remain before the sacred college is locked within the Vatican walls to choose the successor of Pope Benedict XV.

There will be three more regular masses, in which four or five cardinals will take part, and after that the conclave will begin.

With the arrival in Rome today of Cardinals Mercier, Kakoway, Dabner and Osenoch, archbishops, respectively, of Brussels, Warsaw, Posen and Budapest, every nationality except America which was expected to have delegates at the conclave is now represented in Rome.

Cardinal O'Connell of Boston, and Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia are the only missing prelates regarding whose movements the Vatican authorities are so far uncertain. (Cardinal O'Connell sailed from New York last night and Cardinal Dougherty sailed today.)

The death of Cardinal Altamirano y Santos, archbishop of Toledo, a few days ago, has reduced the number of foreign cardinals to 29.

Cardinals Cavalcanti of Brazil, Begin of Canada, Herbera of San-Lazaro, Spain, and Bello of Portugal, have informed the Vatican secretariat that they would be unable to attend the opening conclave.

Cardinal Prisco of Naples and Cardinal Francini-Nava of Catania, both Italians, will be unable to come to Rome because of ill health. Thus, the conclave is likely to be composed of only 52 cardinals.

**GEESSE FLYING NORTH
SEEN AT TERRE HAUTE**

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 28.—That there will be an early spring in this part of the country was indicated today when a flock of about 50 wild geese was seen flying northward. This, according to those who have been in the habit of watching the movement of the birds, means that winter will be comparatively short. A few days are considered of interest was manifested in a robin that was contentedly flitting about a church on one of the main streets.

DENY HAVING PLAYED IN "PRO" GAME



"GUS" DESCH.



"JOHNNY" MOHARDT.



"CHET" WYNN.

"Johnny" Mohardt, "Chet" Wynn and "Gus" Desch, stellar Notre Dame athletes, who have been named as participating in the game between Taylorville and Carlinville, Ill., last fall for which nine Illinois athletes were barred as professionals.

GERMANY ASKS DEFERMENT OF 1922 PAYMENTS

Reply to Commission's Note
Also Seeks Reduction in
Cash Payments.

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The German note to the reparations commission, in response to the commission's demand for explanations of Germany's alleged inability to meet her obligations for January and February, requests that Germany be relieved of all cash payments in 1922. It also asks for a general reduction in cash payments and in increase in payments in kind.

The note suggests that the allies take measures to restore Germany's internal and external credit and thereby facilitate the floating of a big international loan. It announces that Germany will raise an internal loan in 1922 independently of the forced loan, in order to reduce the floating debt.

It is pointed out in the note that the allied experts at the Brussels conference in 1920 recognized that the German direct taxation was incapable of further augmentation, but that nevertheless bills were now being introduced to provide further increases in property tax, as well as taxes on capital and corporations.

The turnover tax will be increased from one and one-half per cent to two per cent, and the coal tax from 20 to 40 per cent. The burdens on production and consumption will be increased and, in addition, the increased customs duties will be collected.

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RAILROADS MUST GIVE UP PROFITS

Earnings in Excess of 6 Per-
cent for Last Quarter Or-
dered Turned Over.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Railroads which earned more than six per cent upon the value of their property in transportation during the period from Sept. 1, 1920, to Jan. 1, 1921, are required under an order issued today by the Interstate Commerce commission to turn half of the excess so earned over to the government.

The order as issued by the commission makes effective sections of the transportation act of 1920 and prescribes rules for the application of those sections. Railroads during the four months period specified in the order are understood to have earned a considerable amount in excess of the six per cent limitation prescribed by congress, but the valuations not having been given out for the individual lines, the amounts cannot yet be calculated.

**WINDOW GLASS WORKERS
ACCEPT BIG WAGE CUT**

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 28.—Representatives of the National Window Glass Workers' Association and the National Association of Window Glass Manufacturers tonight signed an agreement carrying 20 per cent wage reduction for window glass workers in every part of the country. The reduction makes a 38 per cent reduction in window glass workers' wages since September, when a 28 per cent reduction was accepted.

The association claims have been idle since Jan. 4, Frank Bastine, chairman of the manufacturers' wage committee, said last night, but are now ready to resume operations.

ARMS DELEGATES MARK TIME WHILE AWAITING REPLIES

Degree of Control Over Chi-
nese Railway by Japs Is
Biggest Question.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Shantung tieup and the near-blizzard that paralyzed traffic and communication in Washington combined to again block the progress of the arms conference today, but the delay did not dim prevailing confidence that all issues soon would be carried forward to solution.

So far as Shantung is concerned, it was wholly a day of waiting for the mediatory efforts of Prest Harding to have its effect at Peking and Tokio. All indications pointed to a decision early next week and the delegates appeared confident that the decision would be for a settlement along the lines of the compromise supported by the president.

Both of the meetings planned for today by sub-divisions of the conference were cancelled because of the Shantung problem, but the Chinese delegates, who were expected to reach Peking today, had already reached on collateral business.

In the Chinese eastern railway discussions, difference of view have developed which seem likely to delay a decision while the various Chinese delegates alter their respective attitudes.

The Chinese have objected to the plan for international financing for the road and also to the proposal for policing the line with Japanese guards.

It was said tonight that the Chinese eastern problem might become one of the most difficult of the lesser issues of the conference. The (Continued on page two.)

TALENTED PIANIST TO GIVE MUSICALS

Miss Eleanor Shaw Will Ap-
pear Before Two Local
Clubs This Afternoon.

Miss Eleanor Shaw, one of the few women pianists of note before the American public today, is being presented at a special musicale arranged by the entertainment committee of the Indiana and University Clubs for Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Her performance in connection with the Duo-Art Reproducing Piano, so awakened the interest of the musical public of South Bend through her appearance at the Progress Club and Rotary Clubs, that the High School requested a special assembly on Friday afternoon as an educational feature for the 1920 students. Her duets with the Duo-Art recordings of such masters as Paderewski, Josef Hoffman and Rudolph Ganz are little short of miracles, because though they are hundreds of miles away, you hear their actual playing on the keys.

The Sunday program at the Indiana Club is a complimentary treat to members and their families.

As assisting artists, the clubs have arranged for no less local talent than Louis Eibel at the piano; Mrs. Julia Rode, soprano, and Frederick Ingelwell in violin solos—accompanied by the Duo-Art. This program will without be one of the most artistic affairs presented before a South Bend audience in many a day.

OHIO OPERATORS ANNOUNCE WAGE CUTS FOR APR. 1

New Scale Will Supplement Pres-
ent Working Agreement
With Miners.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 28.—Coal operators of Southern Ohio here today adopted a new wage scale to supplement that expiring April 1st, providing for reductions averaging from 21 per cent to 45-55 per cent. The check-off system also is abolished.

The wage scale proposed by the operators must be accepted by the miners not later than March 1. The proposed scale, if accepted by the miners would become effective April 1 this year and would continue thereafter until further notice. A statement containing the proposed wage scale was issued by the operators "to our employees." It is understood that the proposed scale has not been formally submitted to the unions. The action of the Southern Ohio operators today is in conformity with announcement made by the Southern Ohio Coal Exchange several weeks ago that they had withdrawn from the central competitive field, embracing Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and would negotiate a separate wage scale with their employees.

The operators' statement says the scale promulgated by them today is from 20 to 35 per cent in advance of the pre-war scale in the Southern Ohio field. The wages then, they say, was the highest ever received by miners in that district up to the time (Continued on page two.)

ADJOURN ARBUCKLE TRIAL TO TUESDAY

McNab to Argue Pickford Di-
vorce Motion—State Nears
Rebuttal End.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 28.—The prosecution announced today that the end of its rebuttal testimony was "in sight" in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Roscoe C. Arbuckle, in connection with the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress.

At the conclusion of the session, adjournment was taken until Tuesday to permit Gavin McNab, chief defense counsel, to argue before the Nevada state supreme court on Monday in opposition to an action to dissolve the divorce of Mary Pickford, motion picture star.

The prosecution announced today that the adjournment today that it expected to consume all of Tuesday in its rebuttal testimony, but would surely close finally on Wednesday, and the case is expected to reach a decision before the end of next week.

Miss Katherine Fox of Chicago, and Mrs. Kate Hardebeck of Los Angeles, friends of Miss Rappe for more than ten years, were put on the stand by the prosecution today to rebut defense evidence that Miss Rappe died as the result of a chronic ailment, which evidenced itself in hysteria and other visible paroxysms and that her death was not due to the attack charged against Arbuckle.

Both testified that they had known Miss Rappe in Chicago and Los Angeles, and with one exception, she never showed any visible signs of illness of any sort. The exception was testified today by Mrs. Hardebeck, who said that Miss Rappe was treated by a physician in Chicago for a short period for a supposed nervous disorder.

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SMALL TOWN RIVALRY ROCKS FOUNDATION OF COLLEGE ATHLETICS

THREE PLAYERS WANT HEARING ON 'PRO' CHARGE

Mohardt, Desch and Wynn in
Absolute Denial of Part in
"Illinois" Game

TO INVESTIGATE CLAIM

Notre Dame Authorities Will
Probe Report Accusing
Three Star Players.

"Notre Dame will not be outdone by Illinois university in its effort to eliminate professionalism in college athletics. Neither will the authorities wait several months before taking action in case charges emanating from Urbana and Taylorville, Ill., are found to be true." Such was Coach Knute Rockne's statement regarding action by the local university on press dispatches which last night named "Johnny" Mohardt, "Chet" Wynn and "Gus" Desch as having participated in a "pro" game at Taylorville, Ill., on Nov. 27 last, which caused the disbarment of nine Illinois grid stars from further participation in college athletics.

"Notre Dame's stand on professionalism has been too clearly outlined for mention here. The only inkling I had of these charges is what was carried in the various newspapers on Saturday morning which named 10 Notre Dame players as participants in a 'pro' game, and later dispatches which mentioned Mohardt, Wynn and Desch, specifically. A wire has been sent to Illinois authorities requesting further details regarding the report, but thus far have had no answer. Illinois officials had two months to investigate the charges yet we were never notified regarding them. A thorough probe will be conducted and the accused players given a hearing."

Make Absolute Denial.
When seen last night the three players were emphatic in their denial of the charges. Mohardt declared that on Nov. 27, the date of the game, is said to have been played, he was suffering from a broken nose sustained in the Marquette (Continued on page two.)

FARM BUREAU HEAD LAUDS RESULTS OF FARMERS' PARLEY

J. S. Howard Says Agricul-
tural Conference Most Far-
Reaching Ever Held.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The National Agricultural conference, which closed its sessions last night after adopting recommendations designed to alleviate present farm depression and prevent recurrence of such conditions was hailed as the "most far reaching conference of farmers ever held" in a statement issued tonight by J. S. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation. The recommendations of the conference were endorsed by Mr. Howard tonight. During the day they were studied by Secretary Wallace and other officials, upon which whom will devote the task of making them effective.

Referring to Prest Harding's suggestion that farmers seek to unite in cooperative organizations, Mr. Howard said:

"The farm bureau will undertake to organize all the farmers of the nation and unite them into strong commodity marketing associations which will improve the distribution of food to the lasting benefit of both consumer and producer. We want to bring the water and the grower together."

"The national agricultural conference will go down into history as the most far reaching conference of farmers ever held. The farmers' features, of course, was the address of the president of the United States and the commitments which it contained toward agriculture. Probably no chief executive of the nation has previously indicated so deep and intelligent interest in the farmers' affairs. Prest Harding recognized the bad state of agriculture at the present time; * * * showed that the farmer must have a credit system adapted to his needs; asserted that lasting improvement is to come only to the development of cooperative marketing; favored a scientific limitation of production; * * *

"The cooperative marketing movement as fostered by the American Farm Bureau federation is a protest expressed in action against excessive margins and distributive costs."

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Three Notre Dame Men, Mohardt, Wynn and Desch, Named in Exposure of Illinois Athletics' Professionalism—Carlinville and Taylorville Claimed to Have Hired Practically Entire College Teams to Secure Football Victory—\$100,000 Reported to Have Been Wagered on Game.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—The bitter rivalry between two country towns, which became so acute that approximately \$100,000 was bet on a football game, was the real cause of the athletic scandal which resulted in disqualification last night of nine University of Illinois athletes and which threatens to reach into Notre Dame university.

A group of citizens of Carlinville, Ill., it was learned today, decided last fall to financially "clean out the rival town of Taylorville, Ill., by obtaining 10 college stars to play on their football team, and with victory apparently assured, to be the limit on the annual contest between the two eleven's.

But Taylorville learned of the plan, obtained nine college stars for its own team and not only defeated Carlinville, but won close to \$50,000 by covering every Carlinville bet made. Ten Notre Dame players were in the Carlinville lineup, according to statements by citizens of that town, while the nine Illinois men disqualified last night played on the Taylorville eleven, it was stated.

Charges Illinois Knew Athlete Had Played "Pro" Ball

(By Associated Press)
TAYLORVILLE, Ill., Jan. 28.—Grover Hoover, coach of the Taylorville team, on which the nine disqualified University of Illinois athletes played last November, tonight in a statement declared that colleges were unfair to their men and charged that representatives of the University of Illinois procured professional athletes for its teams and then "fired them when they played for some one else."

"Dopey Simpson, one of the Illinois men disqualified for playing here, is a resident of this town," said Hoover. "A representative of the University of Illinois came here and saw Dopey play. He made overtures to the local officials and asked them to enter Illinois, although he knew at the time Simpson had and still was playing professional ball."

"These boys did nothing wrong. They came down here to help us out. It's the school system that's wrong, and not the boys."

Dick Simpson, manager of the team, and "Dopey's" brother, in another statement confirmed Hoover's assertions and made similar charges.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH KILLS GAME WARDEN

Family of Suspected Murderer
Locked Up for Safe
Keeping.

RICHMOND, Ind., Jan. 28.—Robert Marshall, 45, a deputy game warden was shot and killed from ambush this afternoon on the Ernest Lane farm, near Camden, O., about 15 miles southeast of here. The slayer escaped.

Frank Roberts, marshal of Camden, and Marshall were about 20 yards apart in some woodland trying to locate Line whom Roberts said was wanted on a charge of robbery. Roberts did not see the shot fired but after hearing it, he said, he saw a man running away. That man is said by the marshal to go by the name of Benson. Benson's wife and three children were arrested and are being held in the county jail for safe keeping.

When the Carlinville eleven came on the field the visiting rooters rose to cheer.

"What are you yelling for? That's the Taylorville team," said a Carlinville woman.

"Oh, no, that's Carlinville," replied a Taylorville policeman.

It was a close game, and one of these fellows is from Carlinville," indignantly replied the woman.

Taylorville in the first half used its regular home town team. At the end of the half, Taylorville led 7 to 0. Then out trotted the nine stars from the University of Illinois.

Little Serranman ran circled around the Carlinville end. Jack Crangren lunged through the line and Larry Walquist forward passed for big gains. The game ended with Taylorville winner, 14 to 0, \$50,000 to the good and Carlinville out an equal sum.

"Went the Limit."
Bert Wilson, grocery store owner at Carlinville, tonight said that Carlinville had no hard feelings against Taylorville over the game.

"We got beat at our own game," he said. "Perhaps we'll win next year."

"We certainly went the limit. There are 6,000 persons in this town and about the same number in Taylorville, and the attendance at that game was close to 10,000. I guess everybody in this section of the state went and everyone seemed to know that we had procured college men. Everyone except those from Carlinville seemed to know that Carlinville also had some college men."

**STIEHM COMMENTS
ILLINOIS' ACTION**

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 28.—Athletic Director E. O. Stiehm of Indiana university today commended Illinois for its action in barring nine football players suspected of professionalism. Stiehm also expressed the opinion that the rule against

THE WEATHER.
Indiana—Cloudy Sunday, followed by snow or rain Sunday night and Monday; no change in temperature.
Lower Michigan—Cloudy Sunday; Monday unsettled, with probably snow; no change in temperature; fresh easterly winds.

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